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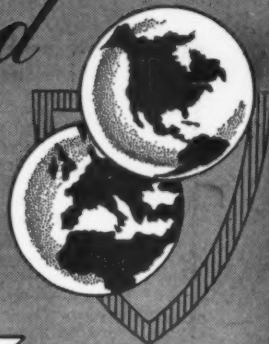
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## NORTHWEST BIBLE AND MUSIC ACADEMY

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About one year ago the Northwest Bible and Music Academy moved from South Dakota to a more favorable site at Minot, North Dakota. Since that time it has made good progress, and the brethren in charge look forward with enthusiasm and faith to the future. With the exception of our Headquarters Bible Training School, the Northwest Bible and Music Academy is the oldest continuously operating educational institution in the Church of God.

The first term of school was a short one held in the winter of 1934 and 1935 to see if a Bible school in the Northwest was feasible and possible. Brother Paul H. Walker, Brother F. W. Lemons, and others were responsible for the vision that brought the School into being, and it proved such a success that a longer term was planned for the following year. Since that time the Northwest Bible and Music Academy has been recognized by the Church as a very necessary institution in the Northwest. The war and the depression brought varying fortunes to the School, as far as enrollments were concerned, but, thanks to the generous help and encouragement from Headquarters and the brethren there, the School continued to grow and exert a good influence for God and the Church in the Northwest. Young people who were students there in the past have gained prominence as successful ministers in the Church of God. Many of the present ministers in the Dakotas, Montana, and Western Canada are directly or indirectly the products of Northwest Bible and Music Academy. Young men from Canada who were among the first students of this school went back home and became successful as pastors, evangelists, and teachers. Former students of Northwest Bible and Music Academy were on the first teaching staff and every teaching staff to the

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Two Northwest Bible and Music Academy Students Making Visitations and Distributing Lighted Pathways

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## DECLARATION OF FAITH

### WE BELIEVE

1. In the verbal inspiration of the Bible.
2. In one God eternally existing in three persons; namely, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
3. That Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceived of the Holy Ghost, and born of the virgin Mary. That Jesus was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead; that He ascended to heaven and is today at the right hand of the Father as the Intercessor.
4. That all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sins.
5. That justification, regeneration, and the new birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ.
6. In sanctification subsequent to the new birth, through faith in the blood of Christ; through the Word, and by the Holy Ghost.
7. Holiness to be God's standard of living for His people.
8. In the baptism with the Holy Ghost subsequent to a clean heart.
9. In speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, and that it is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost.
10. In water baptism by immersion, and all who repent should be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
11. Divine healing is provided for all in the atonement.
12. In the Lord's Supper and washing of the saints' feet.
13. In the premillennial second coming of Jesus. First, to resurrect the righteous dead and to catch away the living saints to Him in the air. Second, to reign on the earth a thousand years.
14. In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the righteous and eternal punishment for the wicked.



Rev. J. Andrew Rafferty

## INTERNATIONAL BIBLE COLLEGE OPENS OCTOBER 23

Applications are coming in from many places and countries for young men and women who will gather at I. B. C. October 23 for the opening of another term of Bible School. We have applications from Bermuda, British Guiana, Jamaica, and several states and provinces of Canada, and if yours is not in yet, why not sit right down now and write for an application? Come and join the number that will be rejoicing in the studies of the Word of God this winter.

## MINISTERS' MEETING

The ministers' meeting this year will again be held at the opening of Bible School, October 20-22. All of our ministers will be expected to be present, since we shall outline our program for the next two years and expect one of our general officials to be present.

## TWO NEW CHURCHES

We rejoice in the announcement of the organization of two new churches in Western Canada recently, and both of them are blessed with having some of the finest people in their part of the country as members. Brothers Oscar Roset and Roy Foggo organized one in Wawota, Saskatchewan, and Brother Odine Wolff and party were responsible for the one organized by your overseer in Medicine Hat, Alberta.—J. Andrew Rafferty, Overseer and Superintendent of I.B.C.

## IMPORTANT

The October 15 Issue of  
The Evangel Will Be Dedicated  
to Missions

## NOTICES

Evangelist G. R. Morris and wife are open for evangelistic work anywhere. We have our house trailer and P. A. System. We make our own music. Anyone desiring our services may contact us.—Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Morris, Gen. Del., Central City, Ky.

My new address is 114 Allyn Avenue, Marked Tree, Ark. We are pastoring the church here.—S. B. McCane.

FOR SALE—A 120-bass accordion decorated very highly. Priced for quick sale, \$100.—Mrs. Griff Ray, 609 First St., Benton, Ark.

## RELATIVES OR FRIENDS IN NEW MEXICO?

Anyone having friends or relatives in New Mexico who are interested in the Church of God, please send me their address or addresses immediately. I will contact them and endeavor to get the Church of God established in their locality. Also, any good workers who feel the work of the West on your hearts and would like to work in New Mexico, write me, as we are in need of consecrated workers who are willing to sacrifice for God and His Church.—J. L. Summers, State Overseer of New Mexico, Box 1206, Roswell, New Mexico.

## OBITUARY

### CHRISTIAN

Mrs. A. M. Christian, Haynes, N. Dak., passed away Aug. 10, 1950, after a car accident. She was a faithful member of the Church of God in Lemmons, S. Dak., and taught the little boys and girls Sunday School class.

### My Mother

My life has been so saddened,  
Since God took mother away;  
But praise God, we will see her  
In heaven, if we pray.

Mother's love for the Saviour came first,  
Then others she loved, too;  
"Self" was always last in life  
In everything that came in view.

Even in her last hours on this earth  
She prayed for those in need;  
Although her pain was hard to bear,  
Perhaps it was for you she'd plead.

She prayed for you who needed God,  
And for those who were sick in bed;  
She encouraged us who were by her side  
To worship God and by Him be led.

Mother loved you, one and all,  
And no matter how tired she'd be,  
She could talk and smile through tears,  
Then you knew she had victory.

"Victory thru Christ Who died on the cross"  
Was a motto she had every day;  
Thank God for a mother so staunch and true,  
Who taught us children the way—

The way to be conquerors over our will  
And for others to work and be blest.  
May we be staunch, trustworthy, and true  
Until with Christ we find rest—

Rest from a world filled with sin and woe,  
Rest from the cares of the day,  
Rest from a life that is weary and tired,  
Rest at the end of the way.

Mother's life on this earth is ended;  
Her work has all been done,  
As she labored for those around her.  
Her life crown has been won.

—Her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Christman, 2014 W. Riverside, Spokane 9, Wash.

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

# EDITORIALS...

## FAITH

St. Augustine said that faith is believing what we do not see, and the reward of his faith is to see what we believe. Another definition is "faith is trusting God's reason where my reason cannot reach." Paul said, "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." These definitions plainly show that faith is that which affects the invisible; that is, it relates to those things which are not tangible and appropriates those things for actual use. It gives confidence and trust in those things that cannot be understood by the human mind or explained.

There are many kinds of faith. There is the faith of the inventor. He has faith that he can bring into existence, out of the materials at his disposal, an instrument that has never been seen or used before. It was faith in the minds of inventors that saw clocks, household appliances, cotton gins, steam engines, steamboats, automobiles, airplanes, and the instruments of war of every kind and every imagination.

Then there is the adventurous faith. The adventurer has faith that there are new places, new countries, new lands, new bodies of water to be discovered, and he sets forth as Abraham did, not knowing where he is going, but feeling assuredly that there is a place of places at which he will arrive as sure as Abraham did. It was that kind of faith that took Scott, Perry, Niensen, and Byrd to the North Pole, and the same kind of faith that caused Byrd and his group to discover Little America. As these men had faith to explore geographical territory, so, also, the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ are to have faith to make explorations spiritually and geographically for God's glory, as did Paul the apostle, David Livingstone, and hundreds of others.

Faith is no good unless it is put to use. It can accomplish no more than gas in the tank of an airplane unless the motor is started and it is ignited. James tells us that faith without works is dead, and the thing that is most notable about the mention of faith in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews is that it was used. You will discover that out of the twenty-five times faith is mentioned, it is used in the prepositional phrase "by faith" sixteen times, and implied even more. It was only by faith that any of these characters merited a place in this great faith hero and heroine chapter. Not only did they live and act by faith, but they died in the faith, and that should be the ambition of every person who professes and possesses faith.

Faith is wonderful because of its

origin—Jesus, and it is very fitting that we find this information in Heb. 12:2, which is really a continuation of the faith chapter. Notice: "*Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.*" So He is not only the source of our faith, but He puts the finishing touches to our faith. Simon Peter says that our faith is *precious*; that is, it is of great value and should be painstakingly cared for. Jude tells us that we are to build ourselves up in the *most holy faith*. So then, the Christian faith is a holy faith. This is an inference that there are faiths that are unholy. No matter what is done, whether it is good or bad, the person who did it had faith that he could do it. The warmonger who brought death and destruction had faith (satanic faith) that he could do it. Those who have sown the earth down with peace and righteousness had holy faith that they could do it. Holy faith not only comes from Jesus Christ, and is not only precious, but our knowledge of it comes through hearing and reading the Word of God, and this is also the means of maintaining it.

Hudson Taylor's motto was, "Have faith in God; reckon on God's faith in you." So we are not only to have faith in God, but we are to live so that *God can have faith in us*.

There are different qualities of faith. There is *little faith*. That belongs to those who are fearful and are failing to trust God fully. That person's faith may be increased, and he should pray as the disciples did, "Lord, increase our faith." Not only may it increase, but it may *grow exceedingly*, for Paul said to the Thessalonians, "We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly." Then he said, "The charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth; so that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God, for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure."

A growing faith, then, means added charity as well as abiding charity one for another and patience enough to endure hardships for the Church of the living God. This means that if a person's faith grows and keeps growing; if he exercises and cultivates it, he will merit the same compliment that was bestowed upon Barnabas and Stephen—"full of faith." When men and women are full of faith, they do great things for God and humanity. The exercise of faith so pleases God that I believe He would be happy for us to justify Him in saying to each of us, "I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel." Great faith is subject to trial; but it is not only subject to trial, it is successful and triumphant in the trial. In 1 Peter 1:7, we read, "That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ." Therefore, we are not only saved by grace through faith (Eph. 2:8), and receive heart purity

by faith (Acts 15:9-26), but we are kept through faith unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time; that is, "to be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory."

It is true that with all the faith we can exercise, at times we look through a glass darkly, and the way looks vague and dark before us; but when that glory that shall come when our Lord Jesus shall catch us away to be with Him and we enter into the felicities of God's eternity, we shall no longer know in part and see in part, but we shall know as we are known, and, above all, as the lovely blind poet Fannie J. Crosby wrote, "We shall see Him (Jesus) face to face."

*Some day the silver cord will break,  
And I no more as now shall sing;  
But oh, the joy when I shall wake  
Within the palace of the King!*

*Some day my earthly house will fall,  
I cannot tell how soon 'twill be;  
But this I know—my All in All  
Has now a place in heav'n for me.*

*Some day, when fades the golden sun,  
Beneath the rosy-tinted west,  
My blessed Lord will say, "Well done!"  
And I shall enter into rest.*

*Some day: till then I'll watch and wait,  
My lamp all trimmed and burning bright,  
That when my Saviour opes the gate,  
My soul to Him may take its flight.*

## CHORUS:

*And I shall see Him face to face,  
And tell the story—Saved by grace;  
And I shall see Him face to face,  
And tell the story—Saved by grace.*

## A TRAGIC TWENTY-YEAR RECORD

One of the most deadly enemies that the citizens of the United States are plagued with are automobile accidents. Motoring in the United States, it is said, during the last twenty years has cost us the lives of 651,460 persons and an estimated number of 22,700,000 persons injured in various ways through traffic accidents. The property damage naturally ran into billions of dollars.

Is it not reasonable to say that this is a kind of civil war, or a house divided against itself, in that we are our own destroying agency by means of the vehicles which have become indispensable factors in relation to our work and pleasure? The automobiles are certainly not responsible, for they are inanimate vehicles, subject to the control of human beings with eyes, ears, hands, and feet. The driver is not only responsible as the owner of the car, but for what the car does.

I was impressed sometime ago by ten rules for safe driving that I read in a prominent newspaper in connection with the opening of our schools,

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Mixed Chorus, Northwest Bible and Music Academy

## NORTHWEST BIBLE AND MUSIC ACADEMY

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present day, of what is now the International Bible College, our fine progressive Canadian school.

The Northwest Bible and Music Academy restricts its course to a fully rounded, practical, spiritual and scriptural religious training. The only extras are a commercial course in book-keeping, typing, and shorthand for those who wish to take them, and a music department which gives training in voice, piano, and other instruments. Because the school is so ideally situated in the outskirts of the growing city of Minot, excellent opportunity is afforded for practical training in house visitation, radio, and other forms of Christian work. Last year several hundred homes were visited by our students, not only in Minot itself, but in the surrounding town. Tracts, *Lighted Pathways*, and *Evangelists* were distributed by the score under the able leadership of Rev. Glenn C. Pettyjohn, who was not only the overseer of North and South Da-

kota, but also President and leading teacher of the School. On week ends groups of students, under the supervision of accompanying teachers, got practical training by visiting near-by churches and holding evangelistic meetings. Our work in the Northwest, which has been slow compared to other places as far as growth is concerned, looks forward with hope to the young people coming from our schools. The whole-hearted efforts of our people in the Northwest in supporting the Northwest Bible and Music Academy are certainly commendable. Were it not for their liberal donations of finance, labor, and food-stuffs, it would be impossible for us to operate at such a low cost to our students, and to proceed with the building of a new dormitory for girls.

While we all point with pride to Lee College as the ultimate in Christian training provided by the Church, informed men of foresight among our leaders see the need of schools like the Northwest Bible and Music Academy. Many a young Church of God plowboy of today will be a successful preacher of tomorrow. Many do not

have the educational background; others cannot afford a complete education; still others find it impossible to spend more than six months out of the year in school; and, to others, distance and travel cost is a problem. To young folk like these, the Northwest Bible and Music Academy is the answer. Our total charges for six months, including board, room, and tuition, is only \$240, special voice, piano, and instrumental lessons being extra. We do not require any set educational standard as a qualification for enrollment, because some have been unfortunate in not being able to obtain such. However, we do recommend that young people complete high school where possible, and they be at least fifteen years of age. Younger people who are interested should write for particulars.

The Northwest Bible and Music Academy is not a reform school. We are attempting, by the help of God, to provide training for sincere young people who are serious-minded about studying the Bible and learning to be adept Christian workers, preachers,

missionaries, or evangelists. We stress and demand a high spiritual standard and atmosphere, which was largely responsible last year for one hundred per cent of our students receiving the baptism of the Holy Ghost. We have comfortable places for our students, but not luxurious places; first, because we think a pioneer atmosphere, with its cheerful enthusiasm and sacrifice, produces better men and women for God; and, second, because we cannot afford a lot of extras. We require work of each student because we think it gives him experience that nothing else can give him. Our teachers work at a sacrifice because our students come at a sacrifice. If you are not

ready to share a pioneer spirit and do some sacrificing for God, then you will not make a good student at Northwest Bible and Music Academy.

Last year we had students from a number of states. This year applications and interest are increasing. The Northwest Bible and Music Academy is approved for veterans training, too; so those interested should write immediately. Registration day for this term is October 16, 1950. School closes April 13, 1951.

Address all correspondence to Rev. M. G. McLuhan, Registrar, Northwest Bible and Music Academy, Box 509, Minot, North Dakota.

## Testimonies . . .

A short while ago I asked the Lord to undertake about something, and I promised Him I would tell in the *Evangel* about it. He did answer my prayer, and I praise Him for it. I'm glad that we have a Saviour who can work things out for us when we don't know what to do and don't see the way out. Pray that I will always live for Him and do His will.—Mrs. J. B. Osborn, Talladega, Ala.

I have a son who was in a car wreck. He had a very bad head injury, and the doctors could not give me any satisfaction. There was no medicine that could help him. He stayed unconscious nine days and nights, and when he regained consciousness, he had forgotten everything. I doubt if he even knew his name. I prayed for him, and requested prayer through the *Evangel*. This was nearly two years ago. I just wish all those who prayed for him could see in him the answer to their prayers. I know it was God's power that restored him to health and mind. There is nothing whatsoever wrong with him now. I thank every one of you for your kind interest, and shall praise God and thank Him every day the rest of my life. I know it was a miracle for his recovery to be complete. I know God does all things well. How happy it makes me!—Mrs. W. D. Mills, Princeton, W. Va.

We take this privilege to thank the many friends and saints that prayed for our daughter while she was sick. We also thank you for the beautiful flowers which were sent. She is out of the hospital and improving. The doctor says she has low blood, so continue to pray for her. She is Mrs. James C. Gurganus. Thank you.—Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Little, Greenville, N. C.

I promised the Lord I would let people know how He healed my little girl a week ago. She had high fever; we carried her to the doctor, and he said her fever was 105. He told us if she was no better the next day

we would have to take her to the hospital. I got down on my knees when we got home and prayed and cried to God to heal my baby. I promised to write and have it printed in the *Evangel*. My baby's fever began to leave her, and thank God, she is about well now. I am a sinner, but I do know God can heal. I thank God for a good Church of God and a good Christian mother.—Mrs. Roy Anderson, Ocala, Fla.

I want to testify to being divinely healed of sore eyes. I had been almost blind for nearly three weeks when the Lord healed me. People would tell me that I'd go blind if I didn't use medicine; but I didn't, and thank God for healing me. He also healed my children of sore eyes. I want Christians everywhere to pray for me that my faith will continue to increase.—Nell Jean Newton, Westville, Fla.

Night and day I suffered with allergic asthma; I couldn't stand fresh air, and was told to go to Texas where the air was drier. The doctors could not offer even temporary relief, and I was too sick to travel much. I did go to Atlanta, Ga., from Cleveland, Tenn., where I had been, but still I suffered. Since I had trusted God for healing all my life, I knew that was what I must do. One night, lying on my bed, I took the *Evangel* that had "Facts about Divine Healing" in it, and raised my hand toward heaven. At that moment the suffering stopped, and all pain left my body. Praise God, I am healed!—Lavern Pannell, Electra, Texas.

I praise God for healing me when Brother Thea F. Jones was in Asheville, N. C. In July I went through the healing line; he prayed for me and, thank God, I was healed of nervousness, neuritis, and mind trouble.—Mrs. Fred V. Green, Clyde, N. C.

I praise God for reaching down and saving me from sin and giving me the precious Holy Ghost about two

months ago. I also praise Him for healing my baby. He had the habit of eating dirt constantly. We took him to the doctor, but that didn't help. About that time my husband received the Holy Ghost, and he prayed for our baby, and God healed him. We just let this go and didn't give God the praise, and now he has the same habit again. I realize God is letting us suffer for not giving Him the praise. Please pray that we shall ever obey God.—Mrs. Lawrence Elliot, Connelys Springs, N. C.

I praise God for so wonderfully healing my body. I would not go to a doctor, and it seemed I had gone my limit, when I sent for some of the saints to come and pray for me. I knew someone could reach faith for me as I suffered such pain. I praise God for people who are willing to go in the midnight hours to pray for a suffering person. God healed me right then, and ever since that night, I have been able to do my work. God has done so much for me. I had a boy with rheumatic fever. Every doctor we took him to would say there was no chance for his healing. He took this disease when he was 8 years old; now he is 18. Two years ago, God healed him. He is a large boy now and working in a mill every day. God also healed my baby boy. He was paralyzed from the waist down, but now he works every day. Doctors had told me that neither of these boys could be healed by medical aid, but God has all power to heal and save suffering people.—Mrs. I. L. Pilgrim, Bucatunna, Miss.

### REVIVAL IN OUR TIME

The story of the Billy Graham evangelistic campaigns is the tremendous story of God's work in these days—

what many sincere Bible students believe to be the closing days of the Age of Grace. Many have said, "It can't happen here," but it has happened at Los Angeles and Boston, and even as these lines are written the spirit of revival is running strong at Columbia, South Carolina. In that city, during the first eight days, over fourteen hundred souls came to Christ. While revival swept these large centers, it broke out in many other places—at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois; Asbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky; Simpson Bible Institute, Seattle, Washington; North Park College, Chicago, Illinois; Northern Baptist Seminary, Chicago.

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# The Power of the DEVIL

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Some people underestimate the power of the devil. They understand that God is powerful, that Jesus is powerful, and that the Holy Ghost is powerful, but they think that Satan is sometimes just an ethereal being who has his habitation somewhere; and, to a certain class of people, he exists only in the minds of those who are superstitious. This is what the deceiver would have them think.

The Bible is written under the guidance of God; and, as the only facts to be found about Satan are in the Bible, then let us turn to the Bible and examine his character, his ability, his power and also his limitations. He makes his appearance in the very first book of the Bible and to the very first people. In the third chapter of Genesis, he takes upon himself the form of a serpent. This transformation could not be accomplished by just an ordinary angel. You ask, "Is he an angel?" Yes, because in 2 Corinthians 11:14, Paul writes: "And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light."

In the third chapter of Genesis, the serpent is spoken of as subtle. "Subtle" means cunning, sly, crafty, underhanded. In this instance, the serpent lied to the woman and appealed to a *desire for power*. Out of desire for power springs most of the trouble in the world today. The rich desire more power; the politician, more power; nations, more power. The devil had this desire for power, because the writer of the book of Isaiah says: "For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High," Isaiah 14:13, 14. This desire for power caused the downfall of Lucifer and will, in time to come, be the result of his being confined in the lake of fire.

You will notice the personal pronoun 'I' is mentioned five times in the two verses above. This denotes a proud spirit. This is one of the seven things that are an abomination to God, which are recorded in Proverbs 6:17. It is noticeable in churches sometimes that people indulge in this very same thing, which will cause their backsliding, if they are not careful. They go around singing, 'I, I, I,' until they become biased in their lives and even matters of the church. Examples of this might be noticed in these expressions: "I will," or "I will not pay my tithes according to the teachings." "I will indulge in things of

the world." "I will not be baptized in water."

There are five ways the devil appeals to man. They are taste, sight, touch, hearing, and smell. While the rich man was in hell he lifted up his eyes and being in torments (he could see) he cried (speech), "Send Lazarus (memory), for I am tormented (feeling)." He could also hear, because Abraham told him to remember. So we see that the brain has a close association with the soul.

Satan, in his efforts to get to the brain or mental processes of people, uses devices to appeal to the five senses to accomplish his purpose. He used this in causing the fall of Adam and Eve. While we don't know how long the devil tried his methods, Eve was spoken to and told the fruit was good. She looked, she thought, she felt, she very probably smelled the fruit, and, last, she tasted. Satan had accomplished his purpose. With the exception of the Triune Godhead, Satan is the most powerful being in existence.

The devil evidently has access to the throne of God and can go back

and forth between points in heaven and in earth, for in Job 1:7, we read, "And the Lord said unto Satan, Whence cometh thou? Then Satan answered the Lord, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it." Satan causes men today to think, "God isn't much; the church doesn't care; it is nobody's business what I do, and I will do as I please." The devil is a very real person and a very dangerous one. All trouble, sickness, affliction, wars, famines, and sins of every conceivable sort and type are and have been caused by the devil, directly and indirectly. He attacks when we are weakest. He attacked Jesus directly after the forty-day fast, when His physical condition was at its lowest. He used his same old appeal: "If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread." He tried in this, as in the case of Eve, to break His will through the taste. But Jesus withstood him, and the Christian can do the same. On the other hand, he can wax weaker and weaker in his Christian experience by leaving off his prayer life, neglecting his reading of the Bible, and growing cold toward church services. He will then be a likely victim of Satan. But the Christian should heed the exhortation, gird his loins about with truth, put on the breastplate of righteousness, shod his feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace, take the shield of faith, slip on the helmet of salvation, and arm himself with the Sword of the Spirit. With all of these things, use prayer. Then he will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.

## OBITUARIES

### JOSEY

The death angel visited the home of our dear Brother Alfred Josey on August 16, and took away our dear Sister Elesha Josey, at the age of 55 years. She was a devoted Christian and a great worker for the Lord. She was a licensed evangelist for a number of years, and we can say that the Church of God in the Bahamas, of which she was a member for about 20 years, has sustained a great loss. Her life was a living testimony to all who knew her.

She had been ill for over 2 years, and in the last days of her life here she liked to sing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," "Laying Up My Treasure in That Home Above," and "I Shall Know Him by the Nailprints in His Hands."

She leaves to mourn their loss, her husband, 2 daughters, 5 sons, 2 brothers, 13 grandchildren, and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Alfred Josey, and her body was laid to rest in the Home Cemetery to await the first resurrection.—Rev. William R. Franks, Overseer of Bahamas.

### DILLASHAW

Sister Nora Dillashaw died July 26, 1950, at the age of 44 years, after a continued illness. She became a member of the Church of God at Greenwood, S. C., while on her bed of affliction. She was very patient in her suffering and kept faith in God until the end. It was an inspiration to all those who visited her to hear her pray and praise God for His blessings to her even when her body was suffering untold agony. We look forward to meeting her on that great resurrection morning. Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, Rev. F. L. Muller, assisted by a Methodist minister. A host of friends and relatives mourn her death.—Mrs. Ruth Starnes, Reporter.

## REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

### PRAY FOR:

The healing of my body; me to receive the Holy Ghost; my lost loved ones to be saved; a sister who is in trouble.—Mrs. J. A. Phillips, Canton, Ga.

My father to be completely healed.—Eulah Haren, Struthers, Ohio.

My son and his buddies who are in Japan and are expecting to go to Korea.—Mrs. J. O. Bozeman, Loxley, Ala.

My lost loved one to be saved.—A Sister, Jacksonville, Fla.

My husband and me to be healed; my lost loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. Clyde Norman, Ernul, N. C.

My family to be saved.—Mrs. George Hebb, Blissfield, Mich.

A sister who has nervous spells; me and my loved ones who are lost.—Mrs. Nellie Lyda, Woodruff, S. C.

The Lord to heal a hurting in my chest; my home.—A Reader, Sledge, Miss.

My sister and me.—Mrs. Rita Moxley, Swainsboro, Ga.

My husband to be saved; me to be saved.—Mrs. Dollie Shedd, Long Creek, S. C.

The healing of my body.—Ethel Mann, Slaton, Tex.

A very urgent request.—Mrs. Robert Cox, Max Meadows, Va.

My mother's eye to be healed.—Bessie Chambless, Macon, Ga.

My father to be healed.—Sara Purdy, Toccoa, Ga.

Me to be healed of appendicitis.—Miss Myrtle Potter, Scottsboro, Ala.

Me to be saved.—A Reader, Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Leon Case to be healed; my right ankle to be healed; my wife to be healed.—W. A. Campbell, Cleveland, S. C.

# LEE COLLEGE

## WHY I CAME TO LEE COLLEGE

"Will I ever be as fortunate as to attend a college or university in America?" This was a question which seemed to arise daily during the years of my high-school education. For that reason I am greatly indebted to God for His mercy toward me in the measure of granting me the privilege to be in Lee College.

It is certain that God has a definite purpose in my life concerning His work. To accomplish that specific purpose, God must set me where I can be used of Him, or where I can study to become the empty vessel and the clay in the hands of the Potter.

One thing that will ever remain in my mind is a thought that someone left with me before I left home: Understand yourself, and develop an understanding for others' character and personality. This is decidedly going to be one of my greatest aims in college life. No happiness will ever be mine, unless I attempt to create an atmosphere that is pleasing in the sight of all my fellow students.

To succeed in life does not mean that I should merely satisfy my own personal endeavors. When I have managed to obtain an interest in my fellow man; when I have gained a better understanding of humanity; when I have learned what life demands of me, then am I only master of the first step of success.

A further achievement on the road to success is this: In college there are days when my life will seem to be a fiasco, and days when I shall fail to recognize the omnipresence of God. To attain success, I must not consider life worthless in moments as these. Life still beckons me to all its mysteries, and yet, even there, I can gain heights and succeed in that in which life expects me to succeed.

There is an evil that is constantly calling me, personally, to heed. I have the confidence that God will permit me to extract from Lee College the necessary knowledge to set me in the position of attending to this momentous case. This is a call that compels me to deliver my obligation in the attempt of preventing juvenile delinquency in my beloved country! The lack of child evangelism sets South African authorities in danger of having to confront this satanic power, which is rapidly folding its clutches upon the youth of today—the future nations of the earth.

College education is therefore essential in my life. With the strength of the supreme God, I intend to equip myself with all the knowledge possible. To do what God and humanity expects of me and attribute to the salvation of millions of young souls is my desire in attending Lee College.—Miss Petro Saayman, South Africa.

## A STUDENT'S TESTIMONY

The contrast between life at Lee and at other schools I have attended amazes me greatly. Though reared in a Christian home, I had never before attended a Christian institution. The spirit here is wonderful, and God is so close and so real in everything that is done. The classes are all begun with prayer, and the teachers seek not only to educate us in literal knowledge, but in spiritual paths as well. The chapel services and Sunday night services contain something that I never felt at any gatherings of the high school from which I came. The warm hospitality and friendliness shown among the students and between the students, faculty, and administrative officers is within itself soul-stirring.

The greatest thing that ever happened to me in all my life can be described in one short word, and that one word is "Lee."—Joe Sutherland, Greenville, S. C.

## A FACULTY MEMBER SPEAKS

The week of orientation in Lee College was very successful. The testing

program proved helpful in assigning students to their classes. The "get-acquainted" part must have worked well, judging from the progress couples are making.

There seems to be a greater feeling of love and fellowship among the students and faculty than is usually manifested this early in the school year. I believe we were able to begin the term with the spirit that prevailed during the revival last year.

There isn't much shouting, but there is a DEEP undercurrent of spiritual power. It continues to bring a fresh, free spirit to every service.

Our chapel services are especially good, rich, mellow, inspiring services. Students leave the auditorium and then enter our classrooms in a subdued, toned-down attitude as though expecting more from God momentarily.

Yesterday I walked into the Old Testament Class just after chapel, and I felt God there in a very precious way. I hesitated to disturb this holy quietness. There was no talking, no shifting of feet or hands. Finally, I said, "What is the cause of this?" After some delay the answer came softly, "Chapel did something to us," and then a mellow "Amen" from the entire room.

May this same spirit continue to color and mold our lives at Lee College so that they may be pleasing to God.—Mrs. Avis Swiger.

## OCTOBER 28 IS DATE FOR OHIO YOUTH CONGRESS

We wish to announce, for the benefit of those in surrounding states, that we will have our OHIO STATE YOUTH CONGRESS in Columbus, Ohio, on October 28. Plans are being formulated for one of the greatest youth meetings Ohio has ever had. We are gratified to announce that our newly-elected National Youth Director, Rev. Lewis Willis, will be with us in this meeting, as well as officials from neighboring states.

Special emphasis will be laid on the organization of an OHIO ALUMNI CHAPTER, as well as many important YOUTH features. The youth program for the State of Ohio for the coming year will be formulated at this meeting. Special singing and a great YOUTH BAND will be featured throughout the day.

A great booster of the youth work, who will be one of the main speakers for this meeting, will be our newly-appointed state overseer, Rev. Paul H. Walker.

We are expecting a great turn-out, and we feel that everyone who attends will receive a great blessing. Come and be with us in Ohio as we endeavor, by the help of God and a great host of youth workers, to lead our youth forward to greater things for God.

—O. W. POLEN, Youth Director of Ohio

Matthew 1:21, "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins."

We feel that we have the mind of the Lord for the subject this evening. The subject is "The Name of JESUS." Some will ask, "What is in a name?" yet we know that Old Testament characters put their hope and aspirations for their children in the names which they gave to their children. As we begin, let us notice Adam, whose name meant "Red Earth." Then these were the prophets whose names were significant: Zechariah, "One that Jehovah Remembers"; Moses, "Drawn from the Water"; Samuel, "Hand of God"; Jeremiah, "God Will Exalt"; Ezekiel, "God Will Strengthen"; and Daniel, "God Is My Judge." Surely, all these names were pictures of characters and destinies, and were full of meaning and divine significance.

When it came time to name the Saviour, it gave Mary and Joseph no problem, for God provided the name for His Son, and He sent the angel Gabriel to the virgin mother and gave her a name for His Son. The angel said that they should call His name JESUS. Luke 2:7, "And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn." Luke 2:21, "And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb." Certainly, when God selects a name for His Son, and then sends His heavenly hosts to announce His name, we can expect something divine and of supreme significance that God has for such a NAME and for such a person.

JESUS taught, during His earthly ministry, these great truths concerning His name, as recorded in the Gospels: Matthew 18:5, "And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me." Mark 9:37, "Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me." Matthew 18:20, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Matthew 24:5, "For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many." Mark 9:41, "For whosoever shall give you a cup of cold water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward." John 5:43, "I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive." John 14:13, 14, "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it." John 14:26, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to

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# The Name of JESUS

By REV. L. C. HEASTON

All the scriptures were given by memory.

your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." These are the things that Jesus taught during His earthly ministry before the crucifixion, as we have recorded in the Gospels.

We also have in the Gospels how others honored and praised His name during His earthly ministry: Luke 10:17-20, "And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." Luke 19:37, 38, "And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen; saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest." John 1:12, "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name."

Now let us see what Jesus said about His name after the crucifixion and after His resurrection, but before His wonderful ascension. This is what He said in His last message here on earth before He ascended: Matthew 28:19, 20, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Mark 16:15-18, "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Luke 24:47, "And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." John 20:31, "But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God: and that believing ye might have life through HIS NAME."

We are taught that the gospel is to be preached in His name; His name is to be honored in water baptism; that signs shall follow believers through the mighty name of JESUS; that devils will be cast out in His name; that we shall speak in new tongues in His name; that we shall lay hands on the sick in His name, and the sick shall recover; that we shall receive life through His wonderful name. No doubt God was letting Isaiah look into a few things when he spoke and said of this wonderful name, his heart bubbling over with inspiration, as God was giving him this great inspiration of the wonderful name of Jesus: Isaiah 9:6, "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: AND HIS NAME shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Certainly, His name is Wonderful!

I call your attention to the Acts of the Apostles. In reading this great book of Holy Writ, we find that the early Church honored and praised and used the holy name of Jesus. We read how much the name of Jesus meant to them. I think it should mean as much to us as it did to the early Church. In the second chapter of Acts, we find that Peter was preaching under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. He delivered a powerful message and stressed the name of JESUS: Acts 2:21, "And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved." At the conclusion of his message, about 3,000 responded to His invitation. As the crowd came around, and were saying, "What shall we do?" "then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost," Acts 2:38.

We think about the incident that we read of in the third chapter of Acts, how Peter and John granted deliverance to the lame man in the name of Jesus: "Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour. And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple; who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms. And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us. And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them. Then Peter said, Silver and gold

have I none; but such as I have give I thee: in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up; and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God," Acts 3:1-8.

When they were questioned about this wonderful miracle, their reply was: "And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all," Acts 3:16.

They were called before the council. "And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this? Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel, if we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole: be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the NAME OF JESUS CHRIST of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole," Acts 4:7-10.

The decision of the council: "What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them is manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny it. But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name. And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the NAME OF JESUS," Acts 4:16-18. They said, "Just leave Jesus out"; and that is what the world is crying for today. The devil doesn't care how much we preach, just so we leave Jesus out of it. What did the early Church do? Did they fold up and say we shall have to stop preaching and testifying? No, they had a prayer meeting. "And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word, by stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the NAME OF THY HOLY CHILD JESUS. And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the Word of God with boldness," Acts 4:29-31. When they prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together. They prayed for renewed strength to preach in His name. They said, "We are not afraid to preach it; you just confirm your word: let signs and wonders follow." What followed? "And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people," Acts 5:12. We read of some wonderful things happening: "And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women. Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets,

and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them. There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one," Acts 5:14-16. What happened after this? More persecutions. They were again called before the council: "And when they had called the apostles, and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name. And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ," Acts 5:40-42.

In Acts, sixth chapter, we read of the selection of Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost. In the seventh chapter of Acts, we read of his defence before the Council when he was charged with blasphemy. Stephen closed his defense with these words: "Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye. Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers: who have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not kept it. When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. But he being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, and cast him out of the city, and stoned him... And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit," Acts 7:51-60.

Acts 8:5-8, "Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them. And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. And there was great joy in that city." The name of Jesus marches on. "But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, they were baptized, both men and women. Then Simon himself believed also; and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done. Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God,

they sent unto Peter and John: who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: (for as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus)," Acts 8:12-16.

We see God working again in the conversion of Saul, later called Paul. "And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, and desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem. And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: and he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? and he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I AM JESUS whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do. And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink. And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus: for, behold, he prayeth, and hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight. Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem: and here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on THY NAME. But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake. And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost. And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized. And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus. AND STRAIGHTWAY HE PREACHED CHRIST IN THE SYNAGOGUES,

**THAT HE IS THE SON OF GOD,"**  
Acts 9:1-20.

In the tenth chapter of Acts, we find Cornelius and his household fasting and waiting upon God. God gives Peter a vision and prepares him for the messengers that come from Cornelius' house. He goes with the messengers, and begins to preach: "How God anointed JESUS of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him," Acts 10:38. "To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins," V. 43. "While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word," Acts 10:44.

In Acts, the sixteenth chapter, we read where Paul and Silas were in Philippi. They were preaching and had a little trouble with the devil. We read where they turned loose the name of Jesus against the devil: "But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee **IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST** to come out of her. And he came out the same hour," Acts 16:18.

The name of Jesus goes on: "And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, he said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism. Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied," Acts 19:1-6.

We have the personal testimony of the apostle Paul: "But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God," Acts 20:24. Yes, he was ready to die also for the name of the Lord Jesus.

Seemingly, the motto of the early Church was, "JESUS, JESUS, JESUS. sweetest name I know; fills my every longing; keeps me singing as I go."

Let us see what the Pauline Epistles have to say concerning the **NAME OF JESUS**. Romans 10:13, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." 1 Corinthians 6:11, "And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God." Eph. 5:20, "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Philipians 2:9-11, "Where-

fore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." Colossians 3:17, "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the **NAME OF THE LORD JESUS**, giving thanks to God and the Father by him." 2 Thessalonians 1:12, "That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Timothy 2:19b, "Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity." Hebrews 1:4, "Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they." Hebrews 13:15, "By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name."

The name of Jesus in the General Epistles: James 5:14-16, "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." 1 Peter 4:14, "If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified." 1 John 3:23, "And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment."

Let us go to the Revelation of Jesus Christ. In reading and searching through the seven letters to the seven churches, we read where the churches were praised that held fast to His name and had not denied His name. In the fourth chapter is where the rapture takes place; a door is opened in heaven: "and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter." In the thirteenth and fourteenth chapters, we read about the great tribulation: "And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive the mark of the name of the antichrist in their right hand, or in their foreheads." Everyone that receives the name of the antichrist shall be doomed forever in the eternal fires. The twenty-first and twenty-second chapters of Revelation are a much brighter picture. We see the new heaven and the new earth. We see the beautiful holy city with streets of gold, gates of pearl, and walls of jasper. How beautiful it is pictured in

those two chapters! The twenty-second chapter, third and fourth verses: "And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: and they shall see his face; and his **NAME** shall be in their foreheads." I had rather take the name of Jesus, go in the rapture and end up in that holy city with the name of Jesus on my forehead than to miss the rapture, receive the mark of the antichrist, and be doomed.

Seemingly, the churches in many places have forgotten the power that is in the name of Jesus. Yes, He ascended; but, don't forget, He said where two or three are gathered together in my name, I will be there in the midst of them. Mark 16:19, 20, "So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following." He sat down on the right hand of God; He confirmed the word with signs following. How could He be in heaven, and yet be with them? He told them to take His name with them. All we have to do to get Jesus by our side is to call out His name with a heart full of faith. We are justified in His name. We are sanctified through His name. We are taught to praise and give thanks to God in His name. Jesus said that He would send the Comforter in His name. We are to preach in His name. We are to worship in His name. We are to cast out devils in His name. The sick are to be healed in His name. Praise God! There is just as much power in the name of Jesus today! Even the devils have to bow and submit to the power of His name! We, as children of God, need to realize that we have the right to use the name of Jesus at any time we need to get something from God. We shall find grace to help in the time of need, so let us approach the throne in the name of Jesus. Jesus said that if we would gather in His name, He would be in our midst. If you are rubbing shoulders with someone, and both of you agree, with the name of Jesus in your hearts, He is closer than the one whose shoulder you touch.

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## MISSIONARIES IN SOUTH INDIA

When we set sail from New York Harbor nearly 37 years ago, friends at the pier sang, "And when the battle is over, we shall wear a crown."

Yes, there have been many battles since then, but, praise God, He has been faithful and has given us victory. Folks may think we are too old and infirm now for active service; this may be so physically, but spiritually we feel fit, and praise God for the strength and health He has given us and for the desire to continue in His service till Jesus comes or we are called up higher.

I praise Him for wonderfully healing me of serious mental trouble last December. Some thought that I might not live through it, and suggested my being taken away somewhere for treatment; but Brother Cook said he felt that I was to be healed in the place where I took sick. I thank God for the many prayers on my behalf at that time. Today my health is better than it was before my illness. It's just like Jesus to roll the clouds

away.

Our children have been urging us to come home, and we expect, D.V., to leave here on furlough by the end of August, but our desire is to return in the Lord's time and finish the work He has given us to do. John 4:34.

Owing to inconveniences, we have not been able to have the Bible School again this year, but I have a desire to go to different places for a few days at least, to hold Bible classes, prayer meetings, etc. Accordingly, last week I visited one of our churches, taking three women workers who helped much in prayer, singing, house visiting, etc. We camped in the church building not far from a river. Many of the members live on the other side of the river; at this season the water is high, so they have to cross in a small ferryboat. At night this boat is chained up, so at 10 p. m., after the meeting, the brethren swam back to their homes while the women remained with us in the church all night.

The second day they asked that we have a meeting at 4 p. m. so they

could get home by ferry before dark, but during that meeting the Lord so blessed us, giving such a spirit of prayer and praise, that they asked for another meeting at night even though they would have to swim back across the river. Here again the Lord richly blessed as a number were tarrying for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. We also held some special children's meetings and seven children gave their hearts to the Lord; also, one young woman accepted the Lord as her Saviour.

Some young men were so desirous for the Word of God that they even gave up working in the fields to study in this brief Bible course. They showed a keen interest and wanted us to remain longer, saying, "Why have you kept this Bible course in your pocket all this time, and now just as you are leaving for America you are coming to us in this way?" I wish now I had gone about more, despite the hindrances.

I am thankful for some knowledge of the language spoken here so I can converse with the people, even though I am not fluent in it. Please do pray much for the work here in South India, especially that God will send some more helpers from the U. S. A. and also raise up more competent workers here in India. There are many problems to be faced as the work is being made indigenous.—Bertha N. Cook.

## HAITI—9 Days, 8 Services, 700 Miles in Jeep

Having just completed a 700-mile trip by jeep over Haitian dirt roads, we are exhausted physically, but happy because of God's blessings and the progress of the Church of God in Haiti.

Over a period of 9 days, we were in 8 services; traveled by jeep, horseback, foot, and boat; slept on inner-spring mattresses (in a hotel), rubber-air mattresses, army cots, church benches, and straw mats; ate fish, chicken, fried bananas, beans and rice, avocados, pineapples, roasted corn, and drank coconut juice; anointed the sick, encouraged Christians, and preached repentance to sinners.

Money could never buy the rich experiences of those 9 days. God was with us; and in addition to the spiritual blessings while in service, He painted the sky with the most glorious of all sunsets just at a time when we were so tired we could hardly go farther. At another time He placed His beautiful rainbow of promise in the sky. At night, when the mud was so deep we could hardly pull through, we were encouraged by the sweet scent of the "fleur de nuit" which grows all over Haiti.

One experience we must relate. A blind man heard of our praying for the sick during one convention, and learned that we were to return through that section. He put forth an effort to reach us, but was unable to and sent his son by horseback with \$2 to buy gas for us to come to him

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# REVIVALS

**TURKEY CREEK, Fla.**—We have just closed a three weeks' old-fashioned revival at the Jones Chapel Church of God, Turkey Creek, Fla., with 36 saved, 35 sanctified, 27 filled with the Holy Ghost, 29 baptized in water, and 19 added to the church. We give God all the praise for this wonderful revival. It seems that the whole church took new courage to do more for the Lord. A divine healing service, along with this revival, was conducted by Brother Everet Brown. Many were healed of their infirmities. Brother Walter Sapp was our evangelist. Anyone desiring a good evangelist will do well to contact Brother Sapp, for he truly has a vision for lost souls. His address is Rev. Walter Sapp, 2207 35th Street, Tampa, Florida.—Jr. R. Langston, Clerk.

I praise the Lord for a revival in a new field. Brother A. N. Daniel put his tent up four miles from Sylacauga, Ala., on Highway 11, and conducted a revival for one week. Brother A. C. McKaig came and stayed two weeks. There were 42 saved, a goodly number sanctified, and 9 filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother McKaig was surely anointed with the Holy Ghost each night. Many came seeking God for deliverance, and many were healed of various diseases. One lady who had been in bed for seven weeks was instantly healed. Pray for us that we shall win many souls for Jesus.—Mrs. A. N. Daniel, Sylacauga, Ala.

**HAMPTON, S. C.**—We are glad to report the best revival we have ever had at our church. Brother Clifton Traman was our evangelist. He really did some good old-time preaching, and God really did bless. The altar was full almost every night. There were 34 saved, 20 sanctified, 9 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 7 added to the church. Anyone would do well to get Brother Clifton for a revival. He and his wife sing.—Mrs. Alma Drawdy, Clerk.

**DURHAM, N. C.**—The West Durham Church of God has recently closed a revival in which many souls were saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Thirteen were added to the church during the two weeks. Evangelist Milliard Maynard, Sister Maynard, and their pianist won the hearts of many by their beautiful singing, and the influence of their ministry in Durham will long live in the hearts of their hearers. Brother Maynard preached with zeal and courage, and many were won to Christ and reclaimed because they saw in his preaching simplicity and directness, strength and gentleness, fervent persuasion and humble appeal. This revival has stirred us to do more than ever before for Him who gave Himself for us. Our pastor, Rev. Roland Verrico, has been untiring in his efforts to proclaim the full gospel in Durham and to lead the church

forward. He came here in February, 1946, and the membership was 23; now it is bordering the 300 mark. Sunday School attendance is bordering 400, and the record attendance is 593. The Sunday School is the fastest growing in Durham, with 17 classes for all age groups. In 1946, 23 members worshiped in a one-room hut. In a short while the pastor conducted a tent revival and immediately a new church building was started. Now 1950 finds us needing more space and a new addition is already begun. It is surprising what the Lord can do for us when we trust in Him.—Alpha Adams, Reporter.

**EPPS, La.**—We had a three weeks' revival in which 13 were saved, 9 sanctified, and 7 filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Loftin was the evangelist, and she would be a real blessing to any church. Pray for us.—A. D. Carpenter, Clerk.

Dear Brother Morehead:

Greetings from the South Greenwood Church. It is with pleasure that I am able to send this check to Lee College, which pays our quota for 1950 and '51 Assembly year. I was not sure to whom I should send it, you or the College, so you see that it reaches the proper place, and I shall thank you. Tell Brother Bright if he cares to mention this in the EVANGEL, he has my permission to do so; that is, if he thinks it would help anyone else. Otherwise he need not.

We had 235 in Sunday School yesterday, without any drive on to do so. I am expecting great progress here this year, and your presence at any time would help to make it come true.

With the very best wishes, I remain, W. R. Craven.

**PUTNAM, Va.**—We thank the Lord for the revival just closed at Jackson Chapel church with Rev. E. W. Elswick doing the preaching. There were 13 saved, a number sanctified, 2 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and many others blessed. A Church of God was set in order with 7 members, and there are many others interested. We are looking forward to this being the greatest church on the district. Pray for us.—Sister Willie Mabe.

**VAN DYKE, Mich.**—We have just closed a wonderful revival, with Brother Merle Akins as the evangelist. There were several saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost, 15 baptized in water, and 9 added to the church. We were privileged to have Rev. D. C. Boatwright, Sr., for a revival a few weeks back. Brother Tribble, our pastor, is doing a great work here. We have just completed our new church.

**COOLEEMEE, N. C.**—God is truly blessing here. On one Sunday night, with Brother T. J. Looney preaching,

there were 6 saved, 3 sanctified, and one baptized with the Holy Ghost. Since our pastor, Rev. L. W. Price, has been here, the average church attendance has doubled. We are planning to build a new church, with Sunday School rooms, soon.—Lloyd C. Combs, Clerk.

**COLQUITT, Ga.**—We have just closed an open-air revival here. There were 18 saved, 4 sanctified, and 3 filled with the Holy Ghost. The writer did the preaching. We closed the meeting with souls still seeking the Lord.—Bill Daniels.

**MT. VALE, Tenn.**—Sister Rose Ball, of Knoxville, was the evangelist in our recent three weeks' revival. It was the best revival Mt. Vale has had in years. There were 8 saved, 6 sanctified, and 6 filled with the Holy Ghost. Sacrament and feet washing were observed during the meeting, and the Lord blessed in a mighty way. After the revival we had a home-coming, with Brother J. S. Walker and Rev. Philpots preaching. We love and appreciate our pastor, Brother Bewley.—Viola Kimbrough, Clerk.

**SELMA, Ala.**—We have just closed a wonderful revival here at the University Highway Church of God. Miss Edna Davis conducted the services. Thirteen persons were saved, 13 sanctified, and 11 baptized with the Holy Ghost. Also, 14 were baptized in water and 8 added to the church. One brother over 65 years of age received the Holy Ghost. The church was greatly revived. Anyone will do well to secure this fine young lady for a revival.—H. E. Lambert, Pastor.

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# Some Things to Think About . . .

## MARKING TIME

BY J. D. BRIGHT

### THE MAYAN CALENDAR

One of the most intricate tables of time was perfected twenty-five centuries ago. This was the calendar of the Mayans, which was 2,000 years ahead of European scientists in accuracy. It was based on observations of the sun, moon, and planets, providing for a 365-day year, with eighteen months, having twenty days each. Four five-day weeks constituted a month, and each year closed with an extra period of five unnamed days for completeness. The day provided for in our leap year was taken care of so accurately that this calendar of twenty-five centuries ago varied but one day in three hundred years—and even this day was allowed for so well that after more than twenty-one hundred years the Mayan calendar was still accurate.

One of the most important things to know about time is its numerous divisions. It is as we know how to properly classify time that we are able to slate the activities of our lives, so as to accomplish the most good on time, in time to conserve time. 1 Chron. 12:32, "And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do."

### CHEAP BUT VALUABLE

A \$1.50 tin clock was used as a ship's chronometer by Captain Joshua Slocum, from 1895 to 1898. He was the first man to sail around the world alone. Although the value of this clock was very negligible when it came to money, its value from the standpoint of service was inestimable. Just think, in a split second you may reach the decision that will seal your destiny. 2 Cor. 6:2, "For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured you: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.")

### SABBATH?

The seventh day is set apart under the law as Sabbath; but, perhaps, after all, it is not the seventh day of the week, for no one knows just when time began. Different days of the week, therefore, are observed by different people. The Greeks observe Monday; the Persians, Tuesday; the Assyrians, Wednesday; the Egyptians, Thursday; the Turks, Friday; the Jews, Saturday; and the Christians, Sunday. How true and indisputable are these words: "I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all." Eccl. 9:11. Therefore, Paul places us on our honor in the following decision, "Let no man therefore judge you . . . in respect of an holiday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days: which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ," Col. 2:16, 17.

### THE AVIATOR'S CLOCK

"Who shall set me a time," Job 9:19. A huge clock has been set in the concrete pavement at the Rand Airport, so that aviators can tell time easily from 3,000 feet overhead. The clock is operated electrically, is thirty feet in diameter, and has a minute hand seventeen feet long and an hour hand twelve feet long.

If when we "sky pilots" are sailing so high and fast we had a clock as large as this to move its giant hands before our eyes, perhaps we would spend more time praying and studying in offices and thereby abbreviate the time we spend in the pulpit, especially the time spent in reflection, lost motion, coasting, searching, wandering, etc., at the utter discomfiture of the congregation.

A short time well spent in the pulpit is of more value than a long time poorly used. Generally a wide-eyed observing minister can tell by three movements when to stop or keep preaching.

1. The movement of his brain with his subject.
2. The movement of the clock hands.
3. The movement of his congregation.

### THE SECOND BEGINNING

Acts 17:26, "And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation."

Acts 1:7, "And he said unto them, It is not

for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power."

October 23, 1942, was the birthday of the world! The earth was brought into its present state 5,942 years B. C., according to an act of British Parliament.

Of course, we do not know how many millions of years lie between the first verse of Genesis and the second verse. In the first beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. In the second beginning, He made things pertaining to earth and heaven. The first beginning was eternity; the second was time.

### HOW DO YOU APPRAISE TIME?

John 9:4, "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

A clock built by famous French clockmakers, the DuBuc brothers, to commemorate Napoleon's campaign in Egypt, ticks off the hours in the home of Jerome Wilson, a writer, who lives at Hollywood, Calif. It varies only five seconds in a year. It is now one hundred thirty-five years old, and stands nineteen and one-half inches high. The Wilson family has possessed it for sixty-five years, having obtained it through a collector who purchased it at a Government auction in New Jersey when goods which Josephine Bonaparte brought to this country illegally, after the fall of Napoleon, were seized and disposed of at the request of French officials.

No doubt but what all of us are better able to estimate the importance of time as we look into the past and see unused opportunities that time took from us. The monetary value of this clock is less than the profit one hour's work has been to many men. What does an hour mean to you, pastor? Eccl. 3:17, "I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work."

### AN ELECTRIC-EYED TELEPHONE CLOCK

Monsieur Esclançon set to work to produce a clock or machine which would talk as clearly as could be wished, and would answer a question any time of the day or night. People in Paris learned that on a certain day they could find out the time from a talking clock by telephoning "Odeon 9400." The talking clock of Paris has told the time in answer to more than 12,000,000 telephone calls during the past seven years. The machine uses sound film strips, one for hours, one for minutes, and one for seconds, and, of course, there were also "electric eyes" which did their work when the telephone number was called. As many as thirty persons could get answers at the same moment.

The blessed Bible, our talking clock, says: "REMEMBER now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them; while the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain: in the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened. And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low; also when they shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall be in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets: or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern. Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it." Eccl. 12:1-7.

And, my dear friends, this is the most timely message on time we have ever heard. Won't you respond to it by complying with this last brief message? 2 Cor. 6:1, 2, "We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain."

### SUNDIAL AND SHADOW TIME

Psa. 90:12, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

A sundial is painted on the boardwalk at Seaside, Ore., which tells the time when a person stands on it! The person's own shadow points out the time.

While a barefooted boy on my father's 500-acre farm, carrying on my job as water boy and berry picker, many were the times that I would stop every few minutes and try to step on my shadow's head, for that meant summer.

Now that I have come on up the pilgrim's road several years and realize as never before that my time is swiftly carrying me on toward the celestial city, I am quite naturally a lot more interested in making my time count.

It's a mighty good thing to check your strides with time and if the comparison does not register proper progress, you had better give yourself the "once over" and get yourself to keeping proper step with "Father Time." "Time and tide wait for no man" is a warning maxim to all of us.

Where is your shadow falling on the sundial in your path? The Lord Jesus help us to ever pray, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." Psa. 90:12, for it will only be through God's help that we will be able to "redeem the time" that we have lost and properly use the time that we, through God's good providence, may have yet to spend for Him and His Church.

## 'NERVE GAS' WAR'S HORRORS OUTLINED

SAN FRANCISCO—The horrors of attack by "nerve gases," the most poisonous and devastating war gases known, were outlined by the American Medical Association today.

Col. John R. Wood, of the Army's chemical center in Maryland, told the AMA convention that these deadly and highly secret gases, first developed by the Germans, are "now well known to both our allies and our potential enemies."

He said that civilians preparing for a chemical attack should concentrate on withstanding the nerve gases. Other types of gases, he said, would probably prove uneasable for long-range warfare.

Wood said the nerve gases are nearly colorless and essentially odorless, making them virtually impossible to detect. They produce symptoms of terrific eye pains, headaches, inability to breathe, and convulsions. Death may be the final result.

Treatment, consisting of large dosages of atropine, must be quick and continuous. Skin splashed with the liquid nerve gas should be washed immediately and splashed clothing removed promptly and left outdoors.

## RULES BIBLE CLASSES LEGAL

RALEIGH, N. C.—Attorney General Harry McMullan has ruled in an advisory opinion that the laws of North Carolina do not prohibit Bible classes in the State's public schools.

The opinion was handed down at the request of a group seeking to restore a Bible class to a high school curriculum. The class was abandoned three years ago following the U. S. Supreme Court decision in the McCollum case barring religious instruction from the public schools of Champaign, Ill.

In his ruling, Mr. McMullan said the State Board of Education had never taken any action on the matter of Bible classes, leaving it up to local school trustees to determine whether such classes should be held. He stressed that there was no state law on the subject, since the question of religious teaching in public schools was a federal matter, if such teaching conflicted with the Constitution's guarantee of church-state separation.

Referring specifically to the McCollum case, he said the High Court's decision "was based upon the particular method in which the school was operated in that instance."

He urged the group here who had sought an opinion on the matter "to get the city attorney to advise you as to the particular form which should be followed so as to avoid conflict with the opinion in the McCollum case."

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# Fruit-bearing Christians

By ALPHA ADAMS

Matthew 7:16-20, "Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit; neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."

In Galatians 5:22, 23, we are told what the fruit of the Spirit is, and it is within the reach of every Christian—love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance.

Sometimes we hear Christians say they have no talent, but we all have certain talents in common that we may use to benefit ourselves and others, and by their use we may help someone else to accomplish things that we could never dream of doing. If we cultivate the talents of sympathy, friendliness, understanding, cheerfulness, and generosity in our lives, even though some of us may be as grouchy as old Ebenezer Scrooge in Dickens' *Christmas Carol*, we may bring as much happiness to those around us as did Scrooge after that memorable Christmas Eve when a wonderful change was wrought in his selfish heart.

Gentleness, a fruit of the Spirit, is one of my favorites, because it is a rare virtue among Christians, and it is often neglected and frowned upon. Some of our Church of God ministers need this virtue so that their preaching might be of more effect. The strongest characters are gentle, because gentleness is bred of reverence for personality. Gentleness knows when to speak and when to be silent. Gentleness keeps one from hurting others except when it is for the other person's own good. Self-expression has been so urged upon us that many have grown weak in self-control. We need self-control even before we seek self-expression. Indeed, without self-control there can be no true self-expression. God has for us unlimited reserves of self-control. How many people have you met recently who were discouraged, even bitter, and who complained about the world in general? Could you offer them anything but a false courage? Those of us who do know self-control can say that true courage is the faith in an adoring truth in God. If God in His own sublime purpose be for us, who can be against us?

How all of us—ministers, laymen, Sunday School teachers, and Christians—need to make the fruits of the Spirit part of our own characters!

The fruit-bearing Christian is the person who is truly happy. The storms of life may come, Satan may attack,

but they endure until the end. On the other hand, the Christian producing bad fruit, the corrupt tree, is often seen going around with a sullen look on his face, and from his heart springs bitterness for his fellow man. We look upon this tree and see evil fruit. The instinct for revenge is strong in this type of person. Probably we have all tried this often enough to know that it brings only very poor satisfaction in the end.

## The Church Is a Fortress

By MARY ROSSON

There is a Chinese proverb, "You can't clap with one hand," and after attending the state convention and listening to the inspired messages of our brethren, one is made to realize more than ever that the Christian cannot really stand without the support of the Church.

Genesis 49:4 reads, "Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel." Unstable means not firm, fixed, or constant; fluctuating, or irregular. There are many individuals today who are unstable in their experience with the Lord. They are not fixed or constant in their worship to the Lord, because they do not feel that responsibility or obligation to attend a regular church. One must have a steady diet of spiritual food, if he expects to thrive. Therefore, there arises the need for a place to belong. I wonder at God's caring and absolutely marvel at His patience when He regards our instability.

That is when the value of the Church of God is really appreciated. It is a stronghold, a rock, also a shelter in the time of storm to people who are in distress. The Church began with little strength, but it has depended on God and obeyed His Word, and because of the wisdom of the people by depending on God, our organization has grown immeasurably, and strength has been imparted to thousands of people. The gospel is believed and honored in the walls of our churches. There is the love of Christ in the Church. There is nothing in the Church of God that can take the place of love. Our churches are perhaps poor in purse, but rich in grace. The treasures of the Church are in heaven, but the living Christ is with us now. Evangelism is not dead in our Church, but is a living cause. There is no room for half-heartedness, but we are all bound together in a common purpose and objective, which is to carry out the unchanging commission of Christ to carry the gospel to all the world.

During the past twenty years, since I have been a Christian and Sunday School teacher, I have observed the tree which bears good fruit and the tree which bears bad fruit. For the good tree, there is joy unspeakable and full of glory; but all that is promised for the corrupt tree is no entrance to the kingdom of God. Gal. 5:21, "They which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God."

The Christian way is to forgive. Many of us have discovered that there is real happiness and satisfaction in forgiving our fellow men. "He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength." May all of us be fruit-bearing Christians and be ready when Jesus comes for His own.

The Church of God consists of called-out, separated, consecrated people who maintain a high Christian standard. Each member is inspired with the purpose to keep the Church spotless and pure. Purity is invaluable.

In Europe and Asia the ermine is considered the most beautiful of all animals and yields one of the most valuable of commercial furs. It has been used to line robes of kings, queens, and judges of England. It is a symbol of purity. The ermine lives in thickets and extremely stony places. The ermine has pride in its white coat and at all hazards would protect it from anything that would soil it.

Fur hunters take cruel advantage of this small animal. They do not set an ordinary trap, for that would tear the soft silky fur; instead, they endeavor to find his home. They put dirt in the doorway of the hole and the dogs start the chase. Naturally, the ermine flees for home as his refuge, but upon finding the dirt in the doorway, will not enter. Rather than go into the unclean place, the ermine will face the yelping and fierce dogs, and preserves the purity of his fur at the price of his life. It is better for his coat to be stained with blood than with dirt. The instinct for cleanliness teaches him to regard his white fur as his dearest possession, and he keeps it clean, regardless of what happens. He has only a white coat, but he gives his life to keep it spotless.

This illustration is an example of the endeavors of Satan, who has often caused dirt to be placed in the doorway of the Church, trying to defile or spot its purity. Christ has already allowed blood to be drawn by the hellhounds of Satan to prevent compromise, to enable His Church to remain pure and victorious. We are determined, as His Church, not to allow His standard to be lowered, but keep it flying high that all the world may see and marvel. Surely, such a church is like the sun in the heavens—it cannot be hid.

## EDITORIALS

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with the thought of safeguarding, especially, the lives of our children.

In the light of this terrible suicidal and murderous national record, we, as citizens of the best country in the world, who are supposed to have, not super intelligence maybe, but reasonable intelligence, should have at least the good common sense to be more careful, not just during a national safety-driving week or day now and then, but it should be a matter of national safety-driving every day and on every trip, whether it is through the school zones, in the city, or on the highway. Christians especially should take the lead in setting the example in sane and sensible driving.

## HAITI . . .

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if we could. It was late in the evening; we were tired and had a full schedule for the next day. But we did not, for one moment, consider not going. After 45 minutes by jeep, we started down a steep, rocky, muddy trail. By that time it was dark, and we stumbled and slipped. Down the hill, across a stream, and up the side of another hill we went. The man was 80 years of age and had been blind for 15 years. He was a wonderful Christian, and said that if God healed him he would be happy; but if He did not heal him, he would still be happy in the Lord. After our praying for him, he was able to point to the light, and said that his eyes did not feel so heavy. He believed that God had begun healing him. All the sons and daughters had gathered in the room. Only one daughter was unsaved, but that very night she accepted Christ and was converted.

After such experiences, we would not exchange places with any person who possesses much of this world's riches, because we feel that the life of a missionary is the richest that this world affords.

We visited a church which has made outstanding progress and has wonderful influence in its locality. They have bought property and gathered rocks for a new building (they rent one now). They requested us to aid them with their construction, and our hearts were made heavy because our funds would not permit our making them a definite promise. We felt confident, in telling them that we would join them in prayer, that God would send the money, and that as soon as we received it we would send it on to them. They were encouraged by this and said they were going to *fast* and pray. Upon our return to the mission home, a letter was awaiting us which contained money from the State of Kansas for church building in Haiti. "And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer," Isa. 65:24.—Rev. and Mrs. Paul T. Nance, Misses Ruth Carmine and Odine Morse.

## REVIVALS

**BLAIRSVILLE, Ga.**—We had the greatest revival held here in five years or more. The meeting lasted three weeks. There were 14 saved, 4 sanctified, 3 filled with the Holy Ghost, 13 added to the church, and 11 baptized in water. The meeting was conducted by the evangelist, Brother Sherman Stover, and the pastor at Suches, Ga., Reverend Earnest Harkins. We give God all the praise.—I. G. Fortenberry, Clerk.

**PINE GROVE, Ala.**—We had a good revival at the Pine Grove Church of God. There were 3 saved, 3 sanctified, 2 filled with the Holy Ghost, 2 baptized in water, and 3 came into the church. We closed with a Communion service and feet washing. The writer did the preaching.—D. B. Myers.

**NEWMAN, Ga.**—God is still doing great things for the Church of God at Newman, Ga. We just closed a one-week revival with a report that is marvelous. There were 6 saved, 4 sanctified, 1 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 4 added to the church. Each night our evangelist was anointed with the great power of God; it was wonderful how young people came running to the altar of prayer. Brother Joe J. Storey, Jr., was the speaker. Brother and Sister Storey are a very consecrated young couple, and I am sure they would do your church good if they should come for a revival.—Nellie Greene, Reporter.

**TAYLORSVILLE, N. C.**—We have just closed a wonderful revival. There were 7 saved, 12 sanctified, 18 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 5 added to the church. We are looking for more to come in soon. Brother H. D. Sustar was the evangelist.—T. J. Looney, Pastor.

**BARBOURVILLE, Ky.**—We are happy to report a good revival, conducted by Rev. Ed Cox, of Middlesboro, Ky. The meeting, which lasted two weeks, proved to be a great blessing to our church. Some of his outstanding messages were on the Dispensation of Time, Judgments, Rapture, and the Millennial Kingdom. Six were saved and one sanctified. Our church has

progressed under the leadership of our good pastor, Rev. Charles W. Riggs. Our Sunday School has doubled since they came to Barbourville. We thank God for Brother and Sister Riggs and the work they are doing.—Gladys Miller, Clerk.

**WOLF MOUNTAIN, N. C.**—The Church of God at Wolf Mountain, N. C., recently enjoyed the most wonderful revival in its history. The revival was conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Claud Eugene McKay, of Eustis, Fla. He preached with power, and the altar was filled with seekers almost every night. There were 7 saved, 9 sanctified, 4 filled with the Holy Ghost, 3 baptized in water, and 6 added to the church. During the revival our average attendance in Sunday School was more than doubled. Our pastor, Brother Samuel LeRoy, and his wife have labored with us very faithfully for the past few months. The church has gained in every department; we give God all the praise and glory for what has been accomplished.—Mrs. T. L. Willix, Clerk.

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